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SUBJECT: COM CONFERENCES ADDIS ABABA AND MONROVIA

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PERSONAL FOR AMBASSADOR ROOT FROM NEWSOM

1. I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD AT YOUR
RESPECTIVE CONFERENCE UNDERTAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF
CHAIRING PANEL FOUR ON QUOTE: US POSTURE TOWARD AFRICA'S
RELATIONS WITH EUROPE. ENDQUOTE

2. WHILE YOUR PRESENT POST, I THINK, PLACES YOU IN A
PARTICULARLY PERTINENT POSITION TO OBSERVE THIS IMPORTANT
ISSUE FOR US POLICY, I HOPE YOU WILL ALSO FEEL FREE TO DRAW
ON YOUR THOUGHTS AND EXPERIENCE ELSEWHERE IN ORDER TO PUT
THIS TOPIC IN WIDEST PERSPECTIVE AND STIMULATE LIVELY
DISCUSSION.

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3. I ENVISAGE DEVOTING APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR TO THIS

ISSUE, BEGINNING WITH A 10-12 MINUTE LEAD PRESENTATION
BY YOU, FOLLOWED BY 5 MINUTE COMMENTS BY OTHER PANEL
MEMBERS, BEFORE OPENING THE FLOOR TO GENERAL DISCUSSION.

4. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK AMBASSADOR MURPHY AND MR. BUCHE
(OR NEW AMBASSADOR WHEN DESIGNATED) TO ASSIST YOU IN
CONDUCTING THIS PANEL. MR. COURTENAYE IS INVITED TO SERVE
AS RAPPORTEUR AS WELL AS PARTICIPATING IN THE DISCUSSION.

5. I SUGGEST THAT THE CHAIRMAN IN EACH INSTANCE COMMUNI-
CATE DIRECTLY WITH THE OTHER DESIGNATED MEMBERS OF HIS
PANEL REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT THIS DISCUSSION. IF ANY
OF US IN AF CAN HELP, DON'T HESITATE TO LET US KNOW. RUSH

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